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SUBJ: MEETING OF MEDITERRANEAN STATES ON POLLUTION OF  
THE SEA

1. SUMMARY: IN RECENT REVIEW OF SEVERAL TOPICS WITH IMCO  
SECGEN SRIVASTAVA, HE MADE PARTICULAR POINT OF REPORTING  
ACTIONS AT RECENT BARCELONA MEETING OF MEDITERRANEAN  
STATES ON POLLUTION AND, ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS, HIS VIEWS  
ON IMCO ACTIONS NEEDED TO KEEP CONTROL OF POLLUTION  
STANDARDS WITHIN IMCO. END SUMMARY.

2. SRIVASTAVA, DEPUTY SECGENQUEGUINER AND MEPC SECRE-  
TARY SASSAMURA ATTENDED BARCELONA MEETING AND TOOK PART  
IN PLENARY AND TECHNICAL GROUP DISCUSSIONS. SECGEN POINT-  
ED OUT HE PURPOSELY CHOSE TO HAVE THIS HIGH  
LEVEL REPRESENTATION FROM IMCO TO DEMONSTRATE CLEARLY  
ORGANIZATION'S INTEREST IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA. NEVERTHE-  
LESS, SRIVASTAVA SAID GENERAL TENOR OF BARCELONA MEETING  
LED BY "TWO OR THREE STATES" (SPAIN WAS MENTIONED) WAS  
THAT IMCO NOT SUFFICIENTLY INTERESTED IN SPECIAL PROBLEMS  
OF MEDITERRANEAN AND THAT ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE  
OUTSIDE IMCO, WITH UNEP OR BY, PERHAPS, FOUNDING OF REGIONAL  
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ORGANIZATION TO ESTABLISH MEDITERRANEAN AS A SPECIAL

AREA WITH RULES ON POLLUTION, NAVIGATION, ETC., REGIONALLY AGREED AND IMPOSED.

3. SECGEN SAID MEETING WAS MOVING TOWARD ADOPTING RESOLUTION ON ESTABLISHING REGIONAL RULES FOR MEDITERRANEAN POLLUTION SO HE PROPOSED RESOLUTION THAT ISSUE SHOULD BE PUT BEFORE MEPC IN IMCO FOR CONSIDERATION AND SOLUTION. THIS, HOWEVER, NOT ACCEPTED. INSTEAD, RESOLUTION UNDERSTOOD TO BE ADOPTED THAT MEDITERRANEAN STATES SHOULD FIRST WORK OUT POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN FOR AREA THEMSELVES WHICH THEN WOULD BE PUT TO IMCO/MEPC FOR CONSIDERATION.

4. SRIVASTAVA SAID HE WOULD BE DISCUSSING THIS ISSUE WITH FEW, SELECTED STATES WHICH SHARE VIEW THAT IMCO SHOULD ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN PARAMOUNT POSITION AS INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION INVOLVED IN CONTROL OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA. HE INDICATED HE CONSIDERS THAT AT NEXT AND FUTURE MEPC MEETINGS PARTICULAR EFFORT WILL BE NEEDED TO ASSURE MEDITERRANEAN STATES THAT IMCO IN FACT INTERESTED IN UNIQUE POLLUTION PROBLEMS OF THE AREA AND IS WILLING TO COOPERATE FULLY WITH THEM TO MEET NEEDS THEY SEE FOR SPECIAL TREATMENT IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN INTERNATIONAL CONTROL OVER POLLUTION STANDARDS THROUGH IMCO.

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